

DOE Lessons Learned Template

Title: Waste Generation rates are Poor Project metric

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Lessons Learned Statement: A better metric than waste generation rates is the measurement of percent complete based on square footage.

Discussion of Activities Analysis: Estimated Savings/Cost Avoidance (if applicable): Waste generation rates are not necessarily the most effective methods of measuring decontamination of facilities. There are instances when treatment may actually increase volume but change the waste classification such that it becomes much cheaper to dispose.

A better measurement would be to measure decontamination activities by estimating percent complete based on square footage of concrete decontaminated. A further refinement would be to use weighted values for volumes generated from hot spot removal based on severity, size, location and degree of difficulty for the hot spot area removal.

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